

Details of the dosing

There are two different strengths of liquid paracetamol formulations for children and the changes apply to both:

Infant paracetamol suspension (120 mg/5mL)

OLD			NEW		
AGE	DOSE	How often (in 24 hours)	AGE	DOSE	How often (in 24 hours)
3 months to under 1 year	2.5 mL	4 times	3 – 6 months	2.5 mL	4 times
1 year to under 6 years	5 to 10 mL	4 times	6 – 24 months	5 mL	4 times
			2 – 4 years	7.5 mL	4 times
			4 – 6 years	10 mL	4 times

The dose of paracetamol for infants aged 2 – 3 months remains unchanged at 2.5 mL of the infant suspension

Paracetamol six plus suspension (240/250 mg/5mL)

OLD			NEW		
AGE	DOSE	How often (in 24 hours)	AGE	DOSE	How often (in 24 hours)
6 – 12 years	5 to 10 mL	4 times	6 – 8 years	5 mL	4 times
			8 – 10 years	7.5 mL	4 times
			10 – 12 years	10 mL	4 times

Further information

For further information on this advice please contact the MHRA Information Centre by email (info@mhra.gsi.gov.uk) or by telephone (020 3080 6000).

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